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REMARKS

Claims 1-32 are pending in the application. In response to the Office Action, applicants have amended the specification and amended claims 1-4, 11, 25, and 29. Claims 1-32 remain pending for reconsideration.

The changes to the specification and claims are set forth in the attachment entitled **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**, with ~~strikethrough~~ indicating deletions and underlining indicating additions.

Claim 3 was objected to because of an informality. Applicant has amended the claim to overcome this rejection.

Claims 1-32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gilboa (U.S. Patent No. 5,853,327) in view of various other references. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections for the following reasons.

The applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended during the interview held on March 27, 2003. Applicant has amended the claims to emphasize that the image data is distinct from the wall simulated on the surface of the panel. During the interview, the Examiner acknowledged that this aspect of the claims is distinguished over the cited references. Accordingly, the rejections are considered withdrawn.

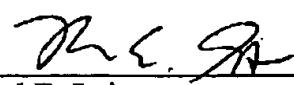
In view of the foregoing, the application is considered to be in condition for allowance. Early notification of the same is earnestly solicited. If there are any questions regarding the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

The paragraph spanning page 5, line 30 - page 6, line 7 is amended as follows:

-- In some embodiments, the image data is generated internally. For example, toy set 600 includes a light sensor 660. ~~Light sensor~~ Sensor 660 may be placed on the back surface of side panel 610, although the invention is not limited in that regard. ~~Light sensor~~ Sensor 660 senses the amount of illumination, and accordingly controls displays 632 and 634. In other embodiments, the image data is delivered to the display. This can be performed by any way known in the art. For example, image data may be delivered by way of coupling to a global computer network such as the Internet® internet. Many such ways will become apparent to the person skilled in the art in view of the present description, and also in view of the nature and the requirements of the display and its image data.

The paragraph on page 7, lines 24-30 is amended as follows:

-- Optionally a toy set according to the invention may include a lighting source e.g., lamp 780, although the invention is not limited in that regard. The lamp 780 may be provided in an appropriate stand, commensurate with the dimensions of the toy figurine 718. The lamp 780 may be turned on and off, in agreement with a theme of the display. For example, a toy lamp 780 may receive inputs from a light ~~the~~ sensor 660 (shown in Fig. 6), to come on when certain environmental conditions are met, for example, when it is dark. In Fig. 7, the lamp 780 receives input from controller 770.

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The paragraph on page 8, lines 7-12 is amended as follows:

-- In addition, a toy set according to the invention may optionally include a detector e.g., light sensor 660. The detector may be used to sense certain environmental conditions, for example, light sensor 660 may be used to detect whether it is ~~dark or~~ cold. The image data may be responsive to the detector, for example, if the light sensor 660 senses that it is cold outside then the image data may be that of a fire in a fireplace as shown in Fig. 6. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

-- 1. (Amended) A toy set comprising:
at least one side panel having a first surface, the first surface adapted to simulate a wall to use with a toy figurine; and
a first display that is to be attached to the first surface, the first display adapted to receive a first set of image data, and to display a first image responsive to the first set of image data,
wherein the image data is distinct from the wall simulated on the first surface of the panel.

2. (Amended) The toy set of claim 1, wherein
the side panel has a data connection, and
the display receives the first set of image data through the data connection.

3. (Amended) The toy set of claim 1, wherein
at least one Velcro™-type strip is adapted to attach the first display to the side panel.

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4. (Amended) The toy set of claim 1, wherein
the display and the side panel have at least one protrusion and mating
opening, and
attachment is by placing the protrusion in the mating opening. --

-- 11. (Amended) The toy set of claim 10, wherein
the receiving antenna is within the side panel. --

-- 25. (Amended) An article comprising: a storage medium, said storage medium
having stored thereon instructions, that, when executed by at least one device, result in:
waiting to receive a signal output from a detector indicative of a toy
figurine characteristic; and
if the signal is received, transmitting a first set of image data to a display
associated with the side panel to cause the display to display an image corresponding to
the first set of image data,
wherein the panel is adapted to provide a first surface which simulates a
wall to use with the toy figurine and the image data is distinct from the wall simulated on
the first surface of the panel. --

-- 29. (Amended) A method comprising:
providing a panel having a first surface which simulates a wall to use with
a toy figurine;
waiting to receive an output of a detector about a location of a the toy
figurine; and
if the output is received, transmitting a first set of image data to a display
associated with the side panel to cause the display to display an image corresponding to
the first set of image data, wherein the image data is distinct from the wall simulated on
the first surface of the panel. --